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## **SEWAGE SPILL TO SAN DIEGO BAY U.S. NAVY AND PORT DISTRICT PERSONNEL NOTIFIED**

An estimated 25,000-gallon sewage spill was reported this afternoon at 35<sup>th</sup> Street near Imperial Avenue in the Stockton area of San Diego. The spill started at approximately 2:30 PM today and as of 5:30 PM has been partially contained by City of San Diego Metropolitan Wastewater Department crews. The spill flowed into a storm drain that empties to Chollas Creek. Chollas Creek flows approximately 1.5 miles to San Diego Bay near the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street Naval Station. U.S. Navy and San Diego Unified Port District personnel have been notified to restrict divers from the bay near the creek outlet for 72 hours. Due to the size of the spill and distance to recreational beaches, no closures have been issued for recreational beaches in San Diego Bay.

*For more information on the spill, please call the City of San Diego Metropolitan Wastewater Department at 858-292-6403.*

***For updates on beach closure information please call the 24-hr. hotline at (619) 338-2073.  
OR [www.earth911.org](http://www.earth911.org), 'Programs' and select San Diego Beach Water Quality.***

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